

## HUNS LOSING NO TIME IN TAKING OVER CAPTURED RUSSIAN LANDS

Commissioner Named in Berlin To Administer All New Eastern Territory Except Poland, Which Has Already Been Looked After

### BAVARIAN COLONY OF GERMAN TO MOVE IN

Russian Ambassador At Washington Says Russia Cannot Submit To German Terms Based On Conquest, Anarchy and Despair

LONDON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—Germany is preparing to take over immediately the sovereignty of the Baltic Provinces ceded away by Russia in the treaty forced upon the Bolsheviks at Brest-Litovsk. German officials have been selected and named to administer the conquered districts, while from Austria a large colony of Germans will be sent north to settle in the sections taken over.

A Berlin announcement, received here by way of Amsterdam, states that Count von Kaysersberg has been selected as commissioner to take charge of and administer Lithuania, Courland and the other eastern territory taken over by Germany, with the exception of Poland, which is being administered by a Polish council under German supervision.

### COLONIZATION PLAN

A despatch to the Daily Mail, by way of Switzerland, tells of colonization plans. The despatch says:

"The Bavarian Colonization Society, recently formed under government auspices, has decided to send fifty thousand German colonists to take up land to be set aside for them in Courland."

Petrograd despatches confirm the occupation of Odessa by a German force, four Teutonic regiments being in possession of the great Black Sea port.

### MUCH BOOTY TAKEN

The Teutons were given possession without a fight and found enormous quantities of munitions and other booty which they have taken.

The Nikolayev banks are now operating under German control.

Another Petrograd report states that the chief of the Turkish army has accepted a proposal that the autonomous government of the Caucasus negotiate a separate peace with Turkey.

### NOT THE END, SAYS RUSSIAN ENVOY

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(Official)—Boris Bakhteff, the Russian ambassador, issued a statement yesterday dealing with the Russian peace situation, declaring that with the help of America this will not be allowed to stand unaltered. He said in part:

"The Russian embassy reaffirms its deep conviction that the Russian people cannot accept a German settlement based on conquest, anarchy and despair. This bitter phase of Russia's crisis is not to be the ultimate outcome. A new task of national redemption arises, which is conceivable only with the Allies' direct cooperation and direct support.

"To this task the Russian embassy consecrates all its endeavors, finding its inspiration in the noble sympathy and assistance which Americans have ever manifested toward Russia."

## Armed Bandits Rob San Francisco Bank In Daylight

Masked Men Cover Twenty Employees With Guns, Drive Them Into Vaults, Gather Up Cash and Make Escape

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—(Associated Press)—In broad daylight, in the heart of the downtown business section of San Francisco, three masked and armed bandits walked into the Yokohama Specie Bank yesterday, forced twenty employees at the point of their revolvers into the vaults, locked them in and escaped with \$5000 in cash.

The robbery was one of the boldest and most remarkable in the criminal annals of the country. The Yokohama Specie Bank is located on Montgomery Street, in one of the busiest parts of the financial district of the city.

People pass in streams all day long during banking hours and many passed by yesterday while the robbers went coolly about their work.

The bandits acted quickly. Entering the bank they suddenly drew their guns, covered the frightened and astonished employees and forced them into the vaults. Then, sweeping the counter cash into a sack, they walked out and made their escape.

### W. S. S.

## WEINBERG, MOONEY PAL, WINS POINTS

Desperate Fight Being Made To Save Alleged Principal In Bomb Outrage

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—(Associated Press)—On motion of the district attorney, three of the murder charges against Israel Weinberg, the alleged accomplice of Thomas Mooney in the "Preparedness Day" bomb outrage, were dismissed by Judge Griffin yesterday.

The prosecution had asked for continuances, which the court refused to grant, stating that the case must go to trial. On this ruling, the motion to dismiss the charges was made and allowed.

Weinberg, who is charged with having been a taxi driver who carried Mooney and his wife to the scene of the murder of a number of the Preparedness marchers and some spectators, has two other charges of murder in the same case pending against him in Judge Dunne's court. A motion is now pending in the supreme court of California to admit Weinberg to bail on these charges.

### PARDON FOR MOONEY OR GENERAL STRIKE

The Honolulu Molders Union is taking more than a passive interest in the final outcome of the murder charges against Thomas Mooney and his alleged accomplices, having forwarded funds to the "Tom Mooney Molders Defense Committee" to be used in the defense of the five prisoners involved.

At a meeting of the local molders last night an acknowledgment of this contribution was read, the letter, carrying Mooney's signature, being dated March 5. It said, in part:

"Permit me to express to you and your organization my fullest appreciation and sincere gratitude for your quick and generous response to our urgent call for help in this pressing hour of need, under these most trying circumstances."

"March 1 the Supreme Court denied my appeal for a new trial and affirmed the sentence that I must hang by the neck until dead at San Quentin Penitentiary."

"They did this in spite of the fact that the President of the United States demanded a new trial for me."

"The defense now has one more plea for justice, and that is in an application to the Governor for an unconditional pardon."

"The defense will begin to prepare our briefs and within the next four weeks file with the Governor a formal application along with all of the outstanding facts in the case."

"Organized Labor in Seattle, Wash., under the auspices of the Molders' Union and the Iron Trades and Central Labor Councils, held a monster mass protest meeting Sunday, Feb. 17th, demanding our release by May 1 or they would declare a general strike."

"Organized Labor has no desire to cripple the Government in its conduct of the war, but it doesn't propose for one minute to let its innocent members be crushed by enemies of Organized Labor in San Francisco."

"If your organization wishes to do a real service for our cause, call a similar meeting in your city with the aid of other groups of Workers. Have your organization wire the President and the Governor of California, asking that they take it upon themselves to secure for us a new trial."

"I want to thank you personally from the very bottom of my heart for your quick and liberal response to our cause, and hoping your efforts in this struggle will continue until our long months of incarceration are crowned with complete vindication of Labor's cause."

### W. S. S.

## DESPONDENCY DUE TO CONSTIPATION

Women often become nervous and despondent. When this is due to constipation it is easily corrected by taking an occasional dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. These tablets are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by all dealers. Benson Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.—Adv.

## ALLIES' REPLY TO PARIS RAID PROMPT

Reports From Coblenz Say City Was Thrown Into Panic As Bombs Came

LONDON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—The reprisal raid carried out by a combined British and French air force against the city of Coblenz, on the Rhine, on March 12, which the Germans' prompt response to the German raid upon Paris the previous night was a greater and more effective raid than that of the greatest German effort, according to a report brought yesterday to The Hague by a neutral traveler, who was in the Rhinish city when the Allied bombs were falling.

The raiders, who were under orders to destroy the city as far as possible against the munition works and railroad yards, practically destroyed the former and brought about great material damage otherwise. The list of dead from the bombs was fifty, while many hundreds were wounded.

"Yanks Are Coming"

The greatest consternation prevailed throughout the city, the factory whistles giving the alarm of the approach of the raiders. A panic followed and many were injured in attempting to reach the bombproofs.

"The Americans are coming" was the shout of the startled inhabitants, the majority being convinced that it was American raiders who were bombarding the place.

British Flyers Busy

Speaking in the house of commons yesterday, Ian MacPherson said that ten airplanes had been lost by the British out of 250 flights into German territory. He said that a ton of bombs was dropped on Mannheim recently.

The tremendous battle for air supremacy on the Western front which began more than a week ago is still in progress, with the Allies determined driving the German aviators to flight or shooting them down.

It is officially announced that on Sunday British aviators destroyed eighteen German machines and eight others were forced to descend, unable to continue the fight against the Brits.

### W. S. S.

## German Airplanes Constructed of Inferior Materials

Examination of Captured Machines Indicates Lack of Spruce and Lumber—Are Far Below Standard of American Aircraft

WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Official)—German airplanes captured on the western battlefield and brought to this country to be studied by airplane experts have been found to be composed of materials much inferior to those that go into the manufacture of American planes and which are the standard requirements for our air craft.

The inferiority of the materials indicates that the Germans seemingly lack spruce and lumber, which are considered absolutely essential for the construction of reliable planes.

German machines, have wing beams composed of this inferior glued and nailed together, whereas American planes have solid beams of the finest and toughest spruce.

The wings of the German machines have been found to be covered with fiber cloth instead of the linen without which no airplane is considered of standard quality.

### W. S. S.

## BRYAN SWATS BOOZE ON HIS BIRTHDAY

LINCOLN, Nebraska, March 20.—(Associated Press)—William Jennings Bryan celebrated his fifty-third birthday yesterday by addressing a mass meeting at the opening of the campaign in Nebraska to secure ratification of the constitutional amendment providing for national prohibition.

### W. S. S.

## AMERICAN CASUALTIES FOR DAY THIRTY-TWO

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(Associated Press)—The war department announced the following casualties for the past twenty-four hours:

Capt. Philip Collins, killed in action; Lieut. George O. Middleton, killed in action; three privates killed in action; three killed accidentally; three died of wounds; twelve of disease; two wounded severely and slightly.

### W. S. S.

## MISSOURI KNOWS GOOD THING WHEN SHOWN IT

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(Associated Press)—Missouri and Nebraska have carried off the honors for taking the largest number of War Thrift and Savings stamps to date. Missouri leads in the total sum realized, with \$9,013,480, which is \$2.34 per capita. Nebraska leads in per capita purchases, with \$4.39 for each inhabitant of the State.

### W. S. S.

## FRENCH SUBMARINE IS BELIEVED LOST

PARIS, March 20.—(Associated Press)—The French submarine Diane has been given up as lost. It has not been heard of for a long time.

## NAVAL BILL CALLS FOR IMMENSE SUM

Billion Three Hundred and Twenty-seven Million Dollars Is Total

WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—One billion three hundred and twenty-seven million dollars is the amount that will be appropriated by congress for the navy, if the naval appropriation bill passes as it was reported yesterday by the naval committee of the house.

This amount is more than double the amount of any previous appropriation for the navy—eight hundred million dollars larger than the next largest naval appropriation. The bill provides funds for the carrying out of the navy's three-year ship building program.

Secretary Daniels last night expressed himself as completely satisfied with the bill as it now stands.

Of the total, \$188,000,000 is appropriated for the navy's part in the great aviation program of the United States. This amount is twice as much as was originally proposed, the urgent necessity of the nation organizing and equipping a great air fleet being now thoroughly recognized.

### W. S. S.

## MORE THAN EIGHT BILLION IS NEEDED

Treasury Report Shows That Huge Sum Is Required For War

WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—Eight billion, six hundred and fifty million dollars will be needed to meet the expenses of the government before June 30, according to an announcement made yesterday by the treasury department.

This amount, however, will include the completion of three billion, one hundred and fifty million dollars worth of treasury certificates that have been or will be issued before the end of the period mentioned.

The figures given by the treasury department indicate the probable amount of the next Liberty Loan, subscriptions to which are to open April 6. From them it may be deduced that the Liberty Loan called for will amount to four and a half billion dollars.

The figures announced by the treasury department unexpectedly show that the expense of conducting the war is mounting greatly over the Nation's revenues, the four and a half billion dollars which it is expected will be the size of the Liberty Loan being the difference between the revenue and expenditures.

### W. S. S.

## GENERAL WOOD'S SON IS A HIGH PRIVATE

CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts, March 20.—(Associated Press)—Gen. Leonard Wood is one of the highest in rank in the United States army; his son, Otis Wood Leonard, is of the lowest rank.

General Wood's son was enrolled yesterday as a private in the regular army and while his father is directing the operations of thousands of men, he will be learning the manual of arms and sweeping the company "street."

### W. S. S.

## RED CROSS DOLLARS RELIEVING SUFFERING

WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Official)—The American Red Cross announced yesterday that 102,074 French refugees from the occupied portions of France had been repatriated and many other war sufferers given assistance by its organization during the month of February. Relief work is now being conducted in ninety-seven French towns.

### W. S. S.

## TO ESCAPE DRAFT PUT IN A CRO

WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Official)—The war department issued an order to draft officials yesterday that permits must be issued to all farmers actually planting and cultivating crops to enable them to finish their necessary work, even though the farmers be included among those called to the colors in the next draft.

### W. S. S.

## HINDU PLOTTERS WERE FRIENDS OF UNCLE SAM?

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19.—(Associated Press)—Facts about political aspirations of the East Indians were brought out today in testimony in the Hindu conspiracy case. Tarknath Das, one of the defendants, is said to have sent messages to President Wilson about the establishment of a "provisional government" in India and a message protesting against the arrest of Saladrannath Ghose, one of those indicted.

Ghose, who was arrested in New York, is said to have been one of a special commission of three of the Indian Nationalist party, representing several million members, representing the commission itself as wishing to assure the cooperation of its people with the aims of the United States in war.

### W. S. S.

## Spanish Cabinet Quits Again; It's a Habit

LONDON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—The entire Spanish cabinet, headed by Marquis d'Alhucemas, has again resigned, according to a despatch from Reuters.

This is the second time within a few days that the cabinet has resigned. It was forced to do so following the resignation of the members, but almost immediately asked them to withdraw their names and remain in office. To this the members of the cabinet assented, but they have again quit under pressure from their political opponents.

Marquis d'Alhucemas is very pro-German in his attitude, which has caused wide dissatisfaction throughout the country and is largely responsible for his failure to keep a grip on the government.

### W. S. S.

## JAPANESE ENVOY IS SAFE IN MANCHURIA

TOKIO, March 19.—(Special Cable to Hawaii Ship)—Ambassador Uchida, who with Ambassador Francis was reported to have been held at Irkutsk by the Russian Maximilians, while endeavoring to escape from Russia over the Trans-Siberian railroad, and who was expected to reach Seoul yesterday, is now safe at Chungshun, in Manchuria. No information has been received regarding the American and French ambassadors, who were believed to be leaving Russia with Viscount Uchida.

Situation Worse

Reports coming out of Siberia indicate a growing state of disorder and an accentuated hostility towards the Entente, particularly Japan. Many Germans, formerly prisoners in the internment camps, are now associated with the Bolsheviks and are training the Russians for military operations against the Japanese.

The Mikado has returned to this capital from Hayama and the genre have been summoned to meet him in conference today on the Siberian situation.

### W. S. S.

## PEACE LEAGUE AFTER WAR BRITISH PLAN

Peers in Debate Yesterday

LONDON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—Lord Hartwood-Bangor, in the house of lords yesterday, brought the matter of a league of nations to the notice of the peers as a part of the after-war plans of the British government before parliament yesterday, moving the adoption of a resolution that such will be the program of Great Britain.

Lord Hartwood-Bangor, who has been foremost in urging the formation of such a league, spoke in support of the resolution. He said that there were two essentials to the success of any such plan; one, that the league must include all the important Powers, and, second, that the league must be capable of enforcing its decisions upon recalcitrant nations.

The resolution was not brought to a vote.

### W. S. S.

## VICE DRIVEN BACK FROM MILITARY POSTS

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(Official)—The chairman of the United States training camp commission has presented his report to the war department. It says in part:

"There are now no organized vice interests existing within five miles of any army establishment or naval station, where soldiers or sailors are in training. The five-mile zone which has been established around military camps has eliminated twenty-five heretofore recognized segregated districts, with the soldiers and state authorities cooperating with the military authorities to maintain the freedom of these zones from vice."

There appears to be considerable confusion in some minds regarding the real status of the Siberian problem as setting the interests of the Allies and the desire of Japan to safeguard them.

The diplomatic exchanges between Japan and the Entente Powers regarding the Siberian and Manchurian excursions have progressed to the point where it is believed that there will be a final decision on the world regarding the plans and scope of the military action to be taken by Japan. No final decision has yet been reached, in the case of signing of documents or agreements dealing with the matter, but it is understood that the negotiations have reached the point where there will be definite guarantees as to the course of Japan to withdraw from Siberia when the menace calling for the expedition shall have been completely removed.

The negotiations have been conducted between Japan and England, which has a treaty of offensive and defensive alliance with Japan regarding the maintenance of the status quo and the preservation of peace in the Far East. It is not understood that Japan has yet asked the American government for permission to undertake the Siberian project or that officials of this government feel that it is in any way necessary for the Japanese government to seek such permission.

Japan is bound by her treaty with England to consult freely with the government regarding any prospective military movements in the Far East, and has done so. There have been informal discussions and exchanges of views between London, Washington and Paris regarding the project, as a result of which it is understood, the Japanese government has been made aware already that the Allies favor such action being taken by Japan as will guard the Far East from the threatened German menace, and will give the expedition their moral support in the belief that when its success has been served Japan will withdraw from Russian soil.

### W. S. S.

## Important Consideration

The situation is one of very major military and political consideration and these are interwoven closely with the general war situation. Some of these considerations are:

First—The German drive toward the background as secondary considerations the protection of the stores and military supplies at Vladivostok and along the Trans-Siberian Railway.

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## PRESIDENT SIGNS AND CLOCKS TURN AHEAD

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## THAT HUN DRIVE ON PARIS TEUTON BLUFF IS OPINION OF WAR OFFICIALS

Big Effort To Keep Hope of German Victory Alive

Entente May Force the Fighting Back To German Soil

WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Associated Press)—Germany's much talked of spring offensive, which was to have brought the conquering troops of von Hindenburg to Paris before the end of the month, is German bluff, spread throughout the world for the two-fold purpose of keeping up the morale of the German people through a critical food period and of so impressing the Allies that they would prepare for a defensive campaign and lay no plans for a resumption of the offensive that gave them the victory during the spring and summer of 1917.

This is the opinion of American observers, who are now convinced that the German general staff has abandoned its plans for a great offensive if it ever actually entertained the project.

### OFFICIALLY EXPRESSED

This opinion is expressed officially by the war department in its weekly review of the European situation. This review, made public yesterday, states in relation to the German talk of a drive to pierce the lines of either the French or British, that "while the hostile preparations for a western front offensive have not slackened, it is becoming more evident that the enemy will launch an offensive only if compelled to by the exigencies of the strategic situation."

### ALLIES MAY STRIKE

It is believed here that the Allies, on the other hand, may take the offensive on a grand scale. The Allied War Council, where the plans of the general campaign now are all mapped out in coordination for all the fronts, has a power over all the armies opposing the Central Powers that is not fully known but sufficient to enable it to carry out a wide, general offensive if such be decided upon.

It may be, in the opinion of observers here, that already the preparations are advanced for a series of simultaneous blows against the German line on the west, at Verdun and along the Vosges front, where any decided victory will bring the fighting on to German soil, and in Italy, where a concentration may clear the Italian territory and reopen the way to Trieste.

### Press Agent Busy

Copenhagen despatches of yesterday which state that the German general staff has notified neutral press correspondents that they will welcome the German drive, are regarded as the carrying out of the German attempt to bluff, by indicating that the offensive is about to open. The neutral correspondents have been notified, says the Copenhagen message, to leave for the scene of the expected battle on Wednesday, today.

### French Guns Busy

Paris despatches state that artillery progress by the French on the Verdun front was satisfactory today.

Severe struggles took place along the Belgian front Monday and yesterday before the Germans were expelled from the points where they had gained a footing.

The American consul at Odessa, John A. Ray, is safe at Rostov, following the departure from the city when the Teutons neared it.

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